

City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Holiday Favorite A Christmas Story Opens November 24 at Arts Barn

Gaithersburg, MD – (November 9, 2018) In partnership with Rockville Little Theatre, Arts on the Green presents A Christmas Story, adapted by Philip Grecian and based on the holiday classic film written by Jean Shepherd, Leigh Brown and Bob Clark. The show runs November 24 through December 9, 2018, with performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. The Arts Barn is located at 311 Kent Square Road. Admission is \$20, \$18 for students ages 15 – 21 with student ID, and \$12 for youth ages 14 and under. This show is recommended for ages seven and older.

Wanting only a Red Ryder 200-shot BB gun, young Ralphie Parker's Christmas happiness is thwarted at every turn by adults concerned that "he'll shoot his eye out." This funny and heartfelt show is based on the much loved Jean Shepherd movie of the same name.

Purchase tickets online at https://artsonthegreen.ticketfly.com or call the Arts Barn Box Office at 301-258-6394. For more information visit www.gaithersburgmd.gov or follow us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram at *ArtsontheGreen*.

Founded in 1948, Rockville Little Theatre (RLT) is the oldest continuously operating live theatre in the Rockville area. RLT provides high quality performances at reasonable prices and strives to entertain, enlighten and educate all who attend its theatrical events. RLT offers an opportunity for community members to step out of their everyday lives and to assume new roles as playwrights, actors, directors, costume designers, set designers, and audiences.

During the performance run of *A Christmas Story*, RLT will be collecting non-perishable food items that will be donated to Nourish Now. Patrons may bring their non-perishable food donations to the Gaithersburg Arts Barn for collection.

The Arts on the Green Theater series is funded in part by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC). To discover more about MSAC grants and how they impact Maryland's arts sector, visit www.msac.org.

About Arts on the Green

Arts on the Green is the City of Gaithersburg's home for the performing and visual arts. Musicals, comedies, dramas, magic shows, and other theatrical performances light up the Arts Barn stage, where every seat has

superb visibility. Come see the changing exhibitions by regionally known artists, dabble in the creative arts with Art Night Out workshops, and find unique hand-made gifts in the City Shop.

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